

The Honorable Roger W. Baker was nominated by President Obama and confirmed by the Senate as Assistant Secretary and Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) in May of 2009, serving until March, 2013. He is recognized for transforming IT at the federal government's second largest department, with 8,000 people and a \$4 Billion annual budget, into a customer-driven, results-oriented organization. He improved project success rates dramatically, and reduced the cost of software development at VA, with the introduction of the Program Management Accountability System (PMAS), which became the model for the federal government's TechStat, PortfolioStat and IT Dashboard programs. He led the agency to embrace new and emerging technologies, such as agile software development, mobile devices, and cloud computing to improve the delivery of healthcare and benefits for Veterans. He also restored the agency's reputation as a trusted guardian of Veteran's personally identifiable information (PII) and was a powerful advocate for standards-based systems and open source software within VA.

He also served as CIO for the U.S. Department of Commerce from 1998 to 2001. He was recognized for modernizing the agency's IT systems and processes and strengthening IT management to support the decennial census, introduce new e-commerce capabilities and reduce operating costs. He was also a leader in defining the federal CIO role following passage of the Clinger-Cohen Act.

Baker, currently serving as a consultant, has worked extensively in the private sector for a variety of successful technology companies. As Chief Strategy Officer for Agilex Technologies, he was responsible for aligning the company's growth, go-to-market and service delivery strategies to address client requirements. He also served as President and CEO of Dataline LLC, an innovative, midsize technology company, immediately prior to his VA appointment. Previously, he served as CIO for General Dynamics Information Technology and as General Manager for the Telecommunications and Information Assurance business group at CACI International. Earlier in his career, he served as Chief Operating Officer for BlueGill Technologies; Vice President of Engineering and Operations at VISA International; and as Vice President of Consulting and Services for Verdex Corporation.

He earned his Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Masters in Business Administration degrees from the University of Michigan. He has won numerous awards recognizing his service to Veterans and the nation, including the 2010 Civilian Agency Executive of the Year by *Government Computer News*; the 2010 Outstanding Achievement in Civilian Government by AFCEA; the 2011 John J. Franke Award by ACT-IAC; the 2012 Executive Leadership in Information Resources Management - Civilian award by AFFIRM; and is a three-time recipient of the Federal 100 Award.